GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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SINGLE SHOT VACCINE TO PROTECT CHILDREN
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce a single shot vaccine to protect children from many diseases;

(b) if so,the details thereof;

(c) the action taken in this regard so far;and

(d) the time by which the vaccine is likely to be introduced?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE(SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (d) The Government of India is considering introducing of Pentavalent formulation to protect children against 5 vaccine preventable diseases namely Diphtheria,Pertusis,Tetanus, Hepatitis-B and Hib by giving single injection to the child.However,no decision has been taken as yet.